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APPLICANT: JOHN G. CARMAN

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APOMICTIC PLANTS

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EXAMINER: A. Kubelik

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated November 29, 2002, be extended for two months until April 29, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$205 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a), (2) as required to Deposit Account No. 50-0836.

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